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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name. I believe that I am an original first inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled System and Method for Procurement by Aggregation of Cooperative Intelligent Agents, the specification of which is attached hereto. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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